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ASI officers granted priority registration

By Ryan Becker
Daily Staff Writer

After lobbying for more than two years, ASI officers have been granted priority registration.

The benefit gave ASI's six executive officers their pick of classes this spring by allowing them to register before the regular CAPTURE quarterly rotation.

"ASI was turned down (for priority registration) twice," said Wyatt Brown, chairman of the 17-member Registration and Scheduling Committee and assistant professor of crop science. "They finally presented the information that was needed. One of the things (the committee) wasn't clear on was how priority registration would help them."

Brown said any student group requesting priority registration must meet several guidelines before approval. First, the students must be the primary instructors in a class with academic credit. They are required to attend a content course connected with their activity, and they must have ongoing assignments for that course.

Although ASI officers don't enroll in a class connected to the position, the committee took other factors into consideration.



Other benefits include four reserved parking spaces in the Slack Street lot and yearly stipends, \$5,000 for the president and \$3,000 for the other four officers.

"ASI officers have many obligations that their jobs entail," Brown said. "The priority registration is meant to increase their efficiency, considering the service they perform to the university."

Brown said the Registration and Scheduling Committee unanimously approved the officers' request for priority registration in late January.

"ASI had to come back and request priority three times," Brown said. "We're not playing power politics. We're just trying to protect the system, and we don't want to set ourselves up for criticism."

Brown said the committee has no plans to re-evaluate its decision. He said the privilege extends only to six specific ASI officer positions and is not transferable to other positions.

The president, chairman, executive vice president, vice chairman, vice president of finance and vice president of facilities and operations were granted priority registration.

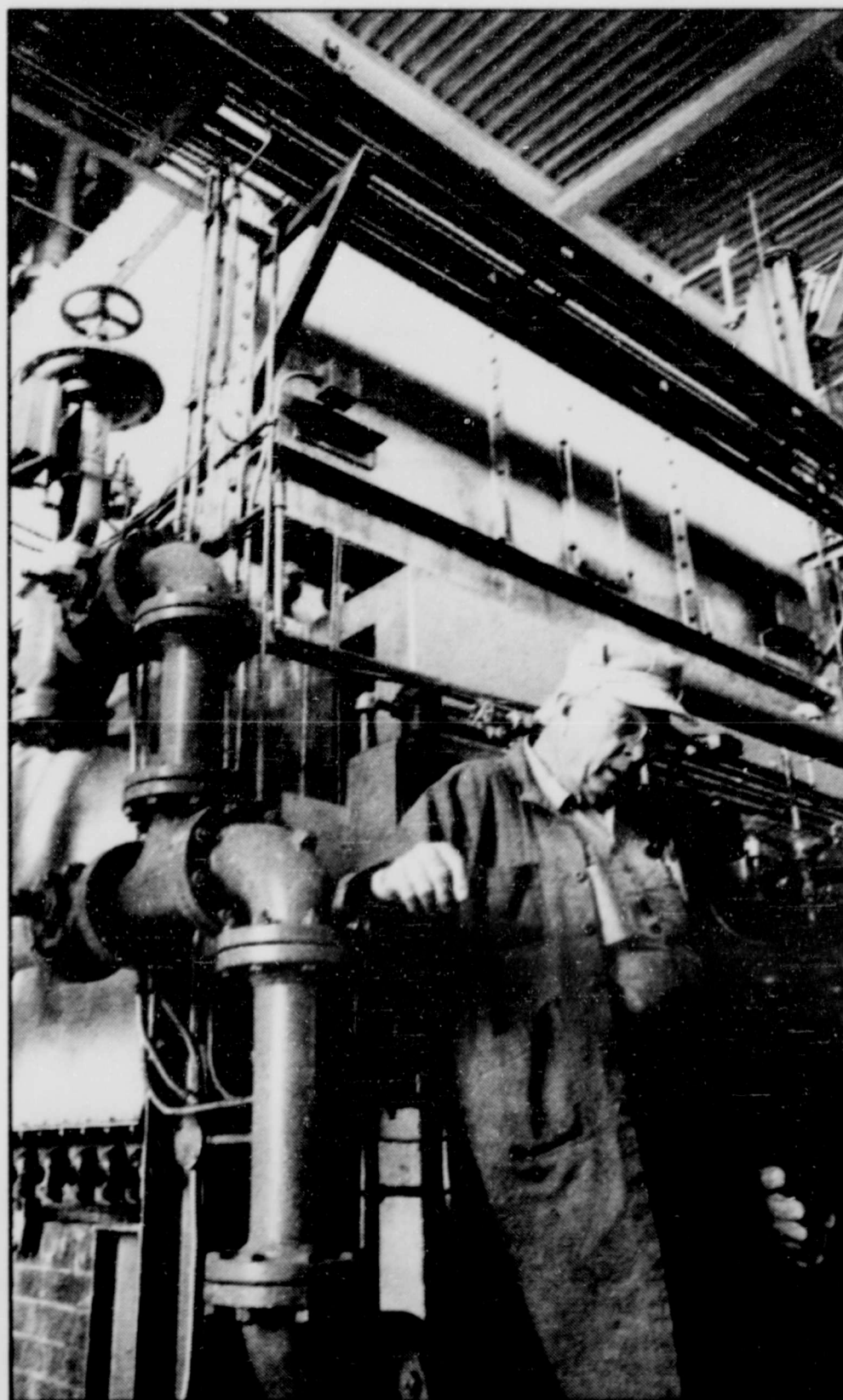
Cindy Entzi, ASI president, said priority registration was necessary because the officers were unable to find a common meeting time.

"We were meeting at seven in the morning or at 11 p.m. after the board meetings," Entzi said. "We felt that if we had priority registration, we'd be able to coordinate better. We're the ones dealing with the day-to-day operations of ASI."

ASI said priority registration

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The passing of an era



Power Plant employee Tom Tarwater rests on an old high-pressure steam boiler.

Power Plant shuts doors to make way for Utilidor

By Shoshana Hebshi
Daily News Editor

Nearly breaking the sound barrier, a series of horns roared through Dexter, perked up students' ears in the U.U., rattled windows in the "Spider Building" and brought confused looks to faces in every corner of campus Friday. The noise announced a closing and celebration of one era and an entrance into a new one—the era of Utilidor technology.

The Utilidor project is coming to an end and has altered the way power surges through the university.

Cal Poly's Power Plant, which generated the campus' heating and cooling power for 44 years, made way for modern times Friday when it closed its doors to allow for a transition to more efficient energy production, machinery and manpower.

The plant's high-pressure steam boilers, which produced all the hot water, are being replaced by high-tech electronic, computer-operated water boilers, in a new plant just next door.

The new plant also has a central chiller for air conditioning and refrigeration. Before Utilidor, each building had its own chiller. The new central system runs water through the

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Student attendance up at second health fee-increase forum

By Ryan Becker
Daily Staff Writer

A proposal to raise health fees prompted concerned questions from a handful of students at a forum last Thursday.

"I'm still against (the increase) because the money should come from other places," political science freshman Eddie Drake said after the forum. "Students are footing the bill for too much."

Drake was one of about 20 students who attended the forum to hear details and ask questions about the proposal.

Students will vote March 11 and 12 to decide whether to increase their fees from \$28 to \$51 per quarter over a two-year period. This would be an 82-per-

cent increase.

The fee increase would resolve a projected \$200,000 deficit and provide additional funds to expand the Health Center's services.

Last year, 12,464 students used the Health Center, for a total of more than 35,000 visits.

Drake said increased services might be necessary for the Health Center, but all students should not be forced to pay for them.

"I think the Health Center is overcrowded, and it needs more money," Drake said. "But maybe a small fee for frequent users would be better than a huge fee increase for everybody, so the people who use it the most pay the most."

The Health Center would also use the increased fees to reduce

its drain on Cal Poly's general fund and its own trust fund. Because of a California State University executive order, one-third of the money generated by the fee increase must be allocated to student financial aid.

Martin Bragg, director of health and psychological services, said the turnout at the forum was lower than he had hoped. At the first health-fee forum, held Feb. 24, no students showed up.

Bragg said many students will see immediate benefits if the fee increase is implemented. Specifically, the Health Center would stay open an additional eight hours per week and provide an after-hours nurse consultation service all week long.

Bragg said the consultation service would allow students to

call a number to find out if they should seek emergency care or wait until the Health Center is open.

The Health Center would contract out the service and pay \$9 per call, but students would not pay on a per-call basis.

"This kind of service might save (students) money by helping (them) avoid going out in the community for emergency care when it is unnecessary," Bragg said at the forum.

Bragg said the Health Center would also expand its specialty services, such as dermatology and psychiatry.

"We do a significant amount of work dealing with depression, and it's very difficult to get to see a psychiatrist in this community on short notice," Bragg said. "We'd

basically be putting a psychiatrist on retainer so students would have access."

Since the fee increase will reduce the Health Center's drain on the general fund, Bragg said more money will be freed up for academic programs.

Although the student vote is technically only advisory and President Warren Baker will make the final decision, Bragg expects Baker to follow the outcome of the student vote.

Bragg said the vote comes down to a decision between more services and fewer services.

"I'm always asked 'What if it doesn't pass?'" he said at the forum. "If it doesn't pass, we're going to do everything we can to

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Rain to blame for low turnout at Rib Cook-Off

By Mark Hartz
Daily Staff Writer

Rain couldn't stop the meat, smoke, barbecue sauce, plenitude of napkins and competitive atmosphere from looming about Farmers' Market Thursday where local businesses and residents put their taste buds to work for the 13th Annual Rib Cook-Off.

The rain did stop the thousands of people expected to clog Higuera Street, to sample the ribs laid out by six local businesses. Only a small fraction of those expected participated in the contest.

F. McLintock's, Golden China, Mo's Smokehouse, Nothing But The Best Deli, Old Country Deli and SLO Brewing Company all tried their best to win bragging rights to the title of "Best Ribs."

This year, Mo's pork ribs won both the People's Choice and Judges' awards, McLintock's won the people's choice for beef ribs and Nothing But the Best won the judges' choice for beef ribs.

"It's awesome," said Larry Kowalski, owner of Mo's. "It was worth all the rain."

Many representatives for the businesses weren't happy with the turnout and the weather.

"Tonight's kind of ridiculous," said Ken Wong, owner of the Golden China, who had trouble getting his barbecue started in the rain. "They should cancel it and try next week."

"We're cooking enough ribs, then we're leaving," said Mike Hoffman, owner of SLO Brew who won a People's Choice award last year.

"I've been doing this for 14 years," Kowalski said.

"This is the worst it's ever been. It's a joke this year. They should have postponed it. We'll only get about 20 percent of (the customers) we usually do. The only reason they went on was because it was the Rib Cook-Off; any other Farmers' event and they would have canceled it."

Pete Eberle, the Business Improvement Association's coordinator for Farmers' Market, said postponing the event wasn't an option. He said the restaurants started preparing their ribs at 9 a.m., and if they decided not to cook the ribs, they

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Owner of Mo's Smokehouse



Daily photo by Jason Kallenbach

KSBY anchor Kimberly Maus gets a mouthful at the 13th Annual Rib Cook-Off.

would have had a lot of leftover meat which would go to waste.

"The reduction of the crowd could give a more accurate gauge of the People's Choice award," Eberle said, adding that in past years many businesses ran out of ribs later in the event and weren't able to receive a vote.

The sponsors of the event were Mission Office Products, the Telegram-Tribune, San Luis Obispo City Council, KSBY-TV, K-JUG and Cellular One. Each judge was an employee of the sponsor.

"It's a messy job, but someone's got to do it," said Kimberly

Maus, representing KSBY-TV. "I'm as happy as a clam."

The judges rated the ribs on juiciness, meatiness, tenderness, flavor and overall satisfaction, using a one-to-eight scale, with one being the lowest and eight being the highest. The ribs were numbered so the judges didn't know which restaurant prepared them. They were also supplied with garlic bread and baked beans.

"You have to pace yourself," said Dodie Williams from K-JUG. "But they were all really good. You always fear you're going to get one that's so bad (it

disgusts you)."

"I had a \$50 bill under one of my ribs," joked John Lex from Mission Office Products.

Brian Loomis and his wife ventured down from Porterville to sample some of the ribs.

"The rain couldn't stop us," he said. "We just bought some umbrellas and coats and decided to come out."

"We're looking forward to next year," Hoffman said after the winners were announced. "We're going to talk to the cows and work it out. We're going right to the source."

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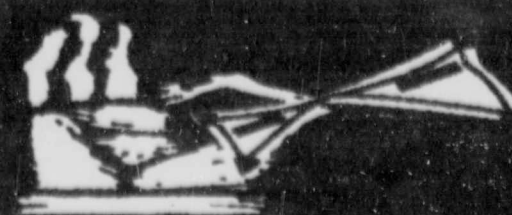
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Utilidor around campus just like the hot water system.

A bittersweet lunchtime barbecue and shut-down ceremony in the plant's break room (with walls plastered with black and white photos of the plant being built in 1953 and 1954 and from its early days of operation) brought retired employees back to the plant for one last time, reminiscing with each other and other employees.

None of the 15 state employees and 10 student assistants who work at the Power Plant will lose their jobs, though their duties will change. The old boilers required 24-hour watch and maintenance. The new boilers don't need that amount of attention, so the engineers will no longer have to physically keep a watch on and operate the old steam machines.

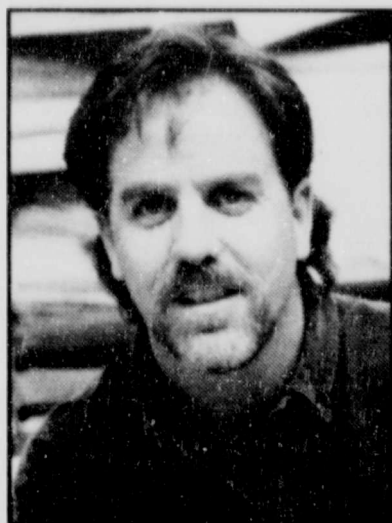
Instead, they will be working in the field, using their skills to fix things around campus.

"I'm glad this thing is closing down," said Building Service Engineer Stan Smith. "I don't like being stuck in one place."

Smith, an employee of four years, said the plant's closure is very sentimental for many of the other employees who have worked there for much longer.

"It's kind of sad to see the place go," said Chief Engineer Dennis Elliot who began his Power Plant career years ago as a student assistant while majoring in engineering. "It's been a home away from home for us for as long as everyone has been here. Most of the guys who work here have worked here for most, or all, of their careers, until they retire."

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—Dennis Elliot
Chief engineer at the Power Plant

was very dependable. It has a terrific record, performance-wise, over the years," he added.

But the system needed to be replaced and would have been no matter what, Elliot said, because it was beyond the end of its life expectancy.

"Many institutions and universities like this in recent years have been converting from steam to hot water; it's kind of a trend," he said.

Elliot supervises the entire department and said the small staff is facing a number of challenges with the Utilidor since it began running a few months ago.

"We're re-organizing, changing schedules and taking on new projects that we didn't have the manpower to do before, but we're not losing any people," he said.

One of the biggest problems with the old system was underground. The old piping and distribution system had deteriorated and began leaking steam.

"We had enormous expenses due to the steam leaks and the loss of insulation around the pipes in the ground. In wintertime when it's cold and rainy, a lot of the energy we produce in the plant is going to heat the cold, wet ground rather than getting to the buildings,"

Elliot said.

Elliot estimated that Cal Poly spends about \$1 billion each year on natural gas to heat the campus. This new system will save a lot of money on energy. Elliot said he hopes the savings will be about 25 percent.

"It's newer technology; it's more efficient," he said. "The new system is much tighter and better insulated, much more energy efficient. Even if we get a 10-percent savings that's substantial," he said.

Tom Tarwater, a 17-year veteran building services engineer, said he found out about the plant closure three years ago and has looked forward to opening a new system.

"Frankly, I welcome something happening because our system needed to be worked on. Something needed to happen. The system in operation was going downhill and we were having a difficult time keeping it going," he said.

Though he's excited about the change, he still has fond memories of the old plant.

"We're closing the doors to one

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TOP OF THE EVENTS

AGENDA

For March 9-March 15

MONDAY

SLO Nightwriters will feature **esteemed poet and Los Osos resident Michael Hammond**, whose work has appeared in prominent journals and anthologies. At 7 p.m., he will talk about his public life as a poet, read some of his works and show slides of artwork inspired by his poems. Meetings are free and open to anyone, at 990 Palm St. For more information, call 549-9656.

Hospice offers a series of **bereavement workshops for those who have lost a loved one**. The first meeting, held today, is an "overview of the grief process." Participants will learn about common grief symptoms, normal grief reactions and the duration of the grief process. Anyone's invited and it's free. Hospice is located at 1432 Higuera St. Tonight's workshop is from 6 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 544-2266.

TUESDAY

Confused by cyberspace? Slonet Regional Information Access offers a demonstration and **workshop on Internet use** from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. tonight at Laguna Middle School, at 11050 Los Osos Valley Road, in room D. For more information, call 545-5002. Tonight's topic is "Graphical browsers and the World Wide Web."

Is shyness limiting your life? For those who need to overcome their shyness, a free **workshop** is available. It will focus on **understanding and overcoming social anxiety**. Sponsored by the Institute for the Family, the workshop is at 7 p.m. at 150 South 6th Street in Grover Beach. For more information, call 498-1005.

Keeping kids drug-free is the topic of "**Building Healthy Communities: Partnerships and Collaboration**." The program comes via satellite to the City/County Library's community room from 10 a.m. to noon. For more information call 781-4757.

WEDNESDAY

Attention all club presidents or representatives! Please attend the **Wildflower Triathlons Festival** meeting tonight at 6 p.m. in Building 3, room 104.

Have you ever wondered what your name really means? Attend a free **workshop** tonight from 7 to 8:30 p.m. **about numerology and names**. Riun Bracken, a teacher at the Center for Universal Truth & Wisdom, will introduce this topic to all participants. It's sponsored by the Illumination Foundation and takes place at 3436 Sacramento Dr., Suite A in San Luis Obispo. For more information call 545-7916.

THURSDAY

Want to spend Fall 1998 in Japan? Go to the **Pacific Rim Group's introductory meeting** today at 1 p.m. in Building 10, room 241. For more information, call Dr. Mori at 756-2729 or Jan at 756-2011.

A **public workshop and hearing** will give citizens a chance to say what they think **about oil in San Luis Obispo County**. The Interior Department's Minerals Management Service (MMS) is conducting a study to find out the feasibility of getting oil to market from as-of-yet undeveloped offshore platforms. It's at the SLO County Library's community room at 6:30 p.m.

Come share your most private thoughts at 7 p.m. at a "**dream session**." Wendy Martine-Galbreath is a dream study guide and intuition coach and welcomes those interested in "translating and studying" their dreams. For more information, call 466-4395. To register for a session, call 545-7916. It takes place at Illumination Foundation, 3436 Sacramento Dr., Suite A in San Luis Obispo.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Better hurry...signups are underway at the Cashier's Office for the spring quarter **Writing Proficiency Examination** scheduled for Saturday, April 11 at 9 a.m. The test is given one week earlier in the quarter than usual due to a conflict with Open House. Students who wish to meet the GWR for spring or summer graduation should take this test because it's not offered during summer quarter. Students who have not met the requirement are permitted to go through the graduation ceremonies, but their diploma is withheld until the GWR is fulfilled.

Madame Butterfly by Puccini will be presented by Pacific Repertory Opera March 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. It's sung in Italian with English subtitles projected above the stage. Tickets are available at the PAC Box Office, 756-2787.

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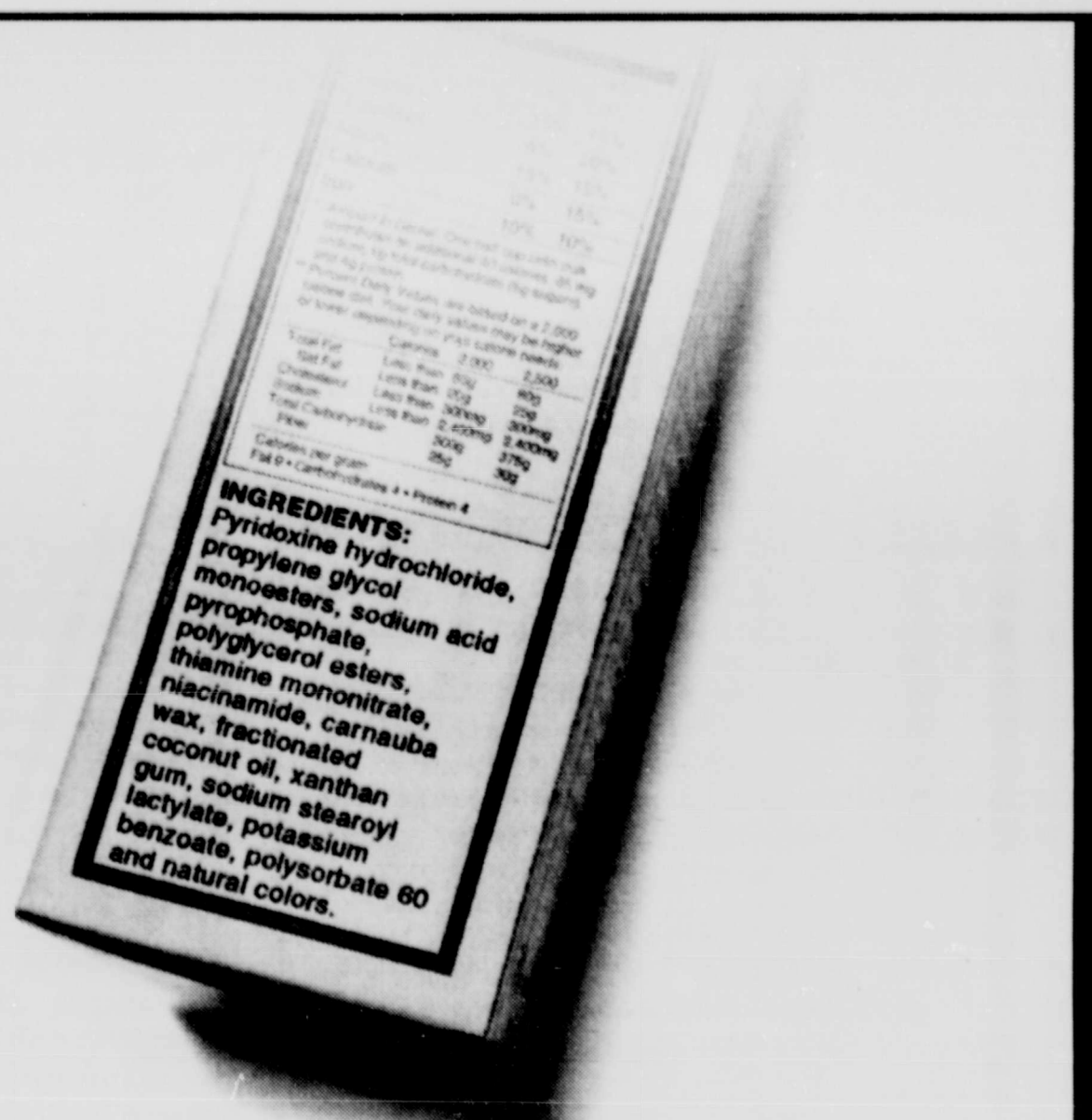
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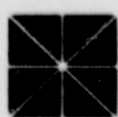


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Melting pot cooks up some white, MTV culture



Bryan S. Ridley

Someone mentioned in an article a few days ago that people who fit the "white" label were apparently absent at the veritable cornucopia of cultural events throughout February. It was implied that "whites" don't care about the other cultures here in the United States. This perhaps is true.

The United States is a cultural melting pot where culture dissolves into consumerism and MTV-prescribed preferences. There is no dominant ethnic-based culture in the United States. It could be argued that Anglo-Saxon Christianity rules the country as that is where the country was spawned from, but over the last century it has evaporated like cheap cognac.

There appear to be a lot of people who come here from other countries for a better life, and attempt to bring their cultural influences with them. It's a nice thought, but don't expect anyone to come out and play.

I'm not suggesting that everyone dissolve their cultural past into a homogeneous American culture where a Chevrolet is valued as a pivotal icon of our past. I just don't want to hear about how "whites" don't care about other cultures in the United States. Although it's probably true "whites" don't care; there is a damn fine reason for it.

As a member of the "white" majority, I must admit I have very little cultural identity, and sadly, that is all I'm permitted to have. If I want to go about and champion the heritage of my German roots, I become a white supremacist, or a Nazi. I become the bad guy, because you know, it was me who colonized and exploited the world and I also killed the Jews.

Go ahead and have pride in your ethnicity, I'll just sit here and chew on my crackers.

What I'm talking about is the reverse discrimination that comes with some Affirmative Action policies and a style of thinking that blames current American citizens of Western European descent for atrocities of the past. It's as if I have to pay reparations for the injustices that my ancestors may or may not have been a part of.

So the moral of the story is: people are people and race is a bunch of crap. It has been used throughout the past as a bargaining chip in the proverbial game of world politics and continues to be used today as the roots for much strife. From the former Yugoslavia to the Middle East to Los Angeles, race-driven conflict abounds.

Perhaps there should be some "white" pride events this coming spring. I wonder how many other cultures would be represented.

Bryan S. Ridley is an architecture sophomore.

**Write a letter if you know
what's good for you.**

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Don't 'dog out' Nathan Martin

—By Bob Roth

"You can't teach an old dog new tricks." So goes the age-old cliché. Is it necessarily true? I am sure that one can recount numerous instances that both negate or affirm it. Of course, that is the nature of a cliché; it exists to be used for practically any situation or circumstance. Please allow me to offer a negation of the cliché, "You can't teach an old dog new tricks."

Picture two dogs: "Nate-Dog" and "Bob-Dog." Bob-Dog has been at this university since the fall of 1990. Over such time he has earned a degree, with a minor, and is working toward his MBA. He has also been employed by ASI Recreational Sports in a variety of positions and has become the National Student Representative for the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association.

Needless to say, Bob-Dog has become a mentor for student employees at the Rec Center and, through his involvement with the program, is a person who can easily answer many questions asked by his peers.

Nate-Dog is a newcomer to the ASI Recreational Sports arena. His employment with the program has spanned almost two years. Yet already he has bridged the gap between the young and the old and has effectively organized the program operation which falls under his responsibility.

What we have here is the typical generation gap between someone who falls toward the earlier end of Generation-X, Bob-Dog, and someone who is at the latter end of that same grouping, Nate-Dog.

What is typically said about Generation-Xers is that they lack the true patience to get things done. Instead, they seek continual improvement through efficiency that leads to overall effectiveness. They want to work faster and better.

Herein lies the issue: how do two dogs, that each fall at ends of a stereotypical spectrum, find common ground so that they may work together for the betterment of the entire program? If one allows the other to be the lead dog...well, you know what they say, "If you are not the lead dog, the scenery never changes."

Truthfully, I have tried to be the lead dog when new employees come into the ASI Recreational Sports arena. Why? Because I

have been there for a good number of years. I have an understanding of the organizational culture and the way in which things get done. I can help the new dogs understand the importance of professionalism and



the nuances of the professionals that join with us to offer a quality program. I can answer the multitude of questions that arise, or I can direct them to the best possible source for the answer.

Admittedly, when you do this long enough it becomes easy to discount the ideas that the new dogs bring with them. When you are the lead dog long enough, you tend to forget about what all of the new dogs are doing.

Nate-Dog, also known as Nathan Martin, made me realize that it is not about being the lead dog on an individual basis, per se. He showed me through his ideas, his ability to relate to employees, his efforts to run a program area with the utmost of professionalism and his desire to run with the pack, that the answer is to lead as a team of dogs.

Nate-Dog entered Recreational Sports and taught this old dog a few new tricks, the best of which is that dogs, old and new, can continually learn from one another and better the services offered to the rest of the campus community. Nate-Dog taught me that they should do this as a team.

These two dogs, Nate-Dog and Bob-Dog, have reached a forum of mutual respect. These two dogs can sometimes be found at the same watering hole while pondering the best ways to improve their program offerings

In fact, all the dogs at the Rec Center have found the ability to work as a team to improve every part of our program. Yes, we are dogs, old and new, that have chosen to contribute an overwhelming majority of our time and effort to Recreational Sports. We do this for all of you out there who already enjoy the services we offer and for all of you out there who want to see us improve these services.

It is with this dedication to the program that it saddens me to see Mustang Daily rip a fellow dog without gathering the facts.

Nate-Dog, a candidate for ASI President, while attending a conference to receive his Certified Pool Operator license was, and I paraphrase from the Daily, unable to be reached for comment despite repeated phone calls.

Imagine that, Nate-Dog was out seeking a certification that will help him improve a campus-wide program, and Mustang Daily decides to take a stance that, through written connotation, is detrimental to a candidate running for a major political position at our university. Perhaps we should quote a number of other clichés here, but I believe I will leave those to the rest of you.

Mustang Daily receives enough grief from the populace, no need for more. Sometimes we just need to remind them that they speak to the people of this university and they shape some opinions. It is not reality to expect a newspaper to be unbiased, the fact that it is makes for interesting reading. But this particular situation should be remembered as a learning experience for the hard-working members of the Daily team.

This old dog has had a few run-ins with the Daily staff, but I continually applaud them for their efforts of improvement. I merely ask you, the reader, not to place Nate-Dog at the back of the pack because of his absence from Wednesday's newspaper's opportunity to meet the candidates. His accomplishments and goals are well worth consideration when you head to the polls and bark out your vote.

Bob Roth is a second-year MBA student and the collegiate sport club student coordinator at Rec Sports.

A more modest proposal

Editor,

The trouble with Alex L. Sterling's idea to allow parents to end their children's "life" up to the first birthday is that it just doesn't go far enough. Alex realized this, but do the rest of you? I have been told by many parents that two-year-olds are terrible, so perhaps we should consider extending the "life" definition to the third birthday.

Come to think of it, most parents would probably like to reserve the right to end their children's "life" until about the fifteenth or sixteenth birthday, wouldn't they?

And why should this right be restricted to parents? Shouldn't brothers and sisters have something to say about it? Or maybe we could add an extension to the rule for grandparents, aunts and uncles? They all have to live with this "person," so maybe their input should be considered as well.

And we all live in a global village, don't we? We should probably allow our neighbors

to have the right to decide whether our children should live or die. That still doesn't go far enough, though, does it?

Maybe mayors should have the right to get rid of undesirable teenagers, faculty unproductive students, university presidents, unyielding faculty, prison wardens, unwanted felons, governments, uncooperative citizens. The defective, or different, or detrimental. I can see it now, Huxley's "Brave New World" would pale in comparison to this "Brave New Definition of Life." Who knows, maybe World War II could have been avoided if we had just realized that Hitler was only taking these ideas to a new level, one of his own choosing.

This new definition of "life" really has some possibilities...or then again, maybe that wasn't such a good idea after all.

Russell Cummings is an aeronautical engineering professor.

Correction

On Friday March 6, a commentary, "Aborting a six month old," appeared on page 5. Three segments of the text should have been identified as excerpts from Jonathan Swift's "A Modest Proposal" but were not attributed. Sorry.

—jaime borasi

Write a column and get dates

All the fame, fortune and popularity that come along with writing a column for Mustang Daily could be yours this spring! Anyone interested in having their name and face splashed all over the opinion page can contact me via e-mail at jborasi@polymail.calpoly.edu. for more info. All majors are welcome to apply.

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Sierra Club Endorses Lois Capps!

Santa Lucia Chapter Praises Capps' Positions on Environmental Issues

Recognizing the serious environmental threats facing the Central Coast region, both the Santa Lucia and Los Padres Chapters of the Sierra Club have endorsed Lois Capps in the special congressional election for the 22nd District. On Tuesday, March 10, voters will choose between Capps, wife of the late Rep. Walter Capps, and Tom Bordonaro, a conservative State Assemblyman from Paso Robles.

"Bordonaro voted 'NO' on the environment more than 4 out of 5 times"

*Pat Veasart
Santa Lucia Chapter Chairman*

The Sierra Club is also launching an independent campaign to educate voters about Bordonaro's abysmal environmental voting record. "We have researched Tom Bordonaro's voting record, and we have found that he is no friend of the environment," said Pat Veasart, Chairman of the Santa Lucia Chapter. "Bordonaro claims to oppose offshore oil drilling, but he supported Mobil Oil's Clearview Project to drill for oil in state waters off the Santa Barbara coast."

The California League of Conservation Voters, a non-partisan organization that tracks key environmental

legislation and scores state lawmakers on their votes, gave Bordonaro a 12% rating in 1995, 8% in 1996, and a 35% in 1997. "Bordonaro voted 'NO' on the environment more than 4 out of 5 times", said Veasart. Bordonaro also voted against stronger drinking water standards, voted to weaken the California Clean Air Act, and opposed legislation that would have expanded civil and criminal penalties to cover oil spills in rivers and streams. "Mr. Bordonaro claims to be 'in the mainstream'," said Veasart. "But, from his voting record in the Assembly, it is clear that he does not represent a mainstream viewpoint on the environment."

By contrast, Lois Capps, like her late husband, Walter, has taken a strong stance on the environment and has vowed to block attempts to weaken environmental standards or to open up our coast to offshore oil drilling. Walter Capps received a rating of 100% by the League of Conservation Voters in 1997, and Lois has promised to carry on his work in congress.

The Sierra Club hopes to reach moderate Republicans who might question Bordonaro's anti-environment record, as well as Cal Poly students who may not have been planning to vote in the special election. "Students need to realize that environmental awareness doesn't stop at the recycling bin," said Veasart. "The best thing you can do to save the environment for your future is to VOTE!"

Bordonaro Pressured UCSB to Enter into Offshore Oil Deal

Although Tom Bordonaro claims to oppose offshore oil drilling, he used his position as a State Assemblyman to pressure the University of California at Santa Barbara to enter into a deal with Mobil Oil to lease university land for slant drilling into state waters. "It's not money to shake your fist at", said Bordonaro, "when you are in financial difficulty, you need to be creative."

After UCSB officials rejected the Mobil "Clearview" proposal, Bordonaro, who was on the Assembly's Higher Education Committee at the time, urged them to reconsider. "When they come to us moaning and groaning about needing more funds, I'm going to say 'You remember Clearview?'" Critics claimed that Bordonaro was using his position on the committee to pressure the university despite environmental and public safety concerns, and that he threatened to cut the university's budget if Mobil did not get their deal.

"...We need a representative in Congress who is against offshore oil all of the time, not just when it is politically expedient."

*Dr. Richard Kranzdorf
Santa Lucia Chapter Political Chair*

One has to wonder how Bordonaro can now claim to oppose offshore oil development. "Does he oppose it only as long as there is no money in it, or does he oppose it only at election time?", said Richard Kranzdorf, Political Chair for the Santa Lucia Chapter. "With the Minerals Management Service once again breathing down the necks of Central Coast Residents, we need a representative in Congress who is against offshore oil all of the time, not just when it's politically expedient."

"I'm proud of my stand on UCSB's premature rejection of the Clearview Project...", Bordonaro wrote in a 1995 Telegram-Tribune editorial. "Apparently not so proud as to include it in his campaign literature," said Kranzdorf. "Maybe he'd rather you didn't know."

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keep from slashing (students') services, but there will be some reduction (in service)."

Bragg said there are three ways to generate revenue for the Health Center: the mandatory student fee, user fees and withdrawals from Cal Poly's general fund.

"User fees impact low-income students and chronically ill students," Bragg said. "If we have a user fee, we might see a drop in visits."

The fee-increase proposal is actually a three-year plan that calls for a \$14 per-quarter increase effective Summer 1998, and a \$9 per-quarter increase in Summer 1999. There would be no

increase the following year.

Celeste Greenberg, president of the Student Health Advisory Council, acknowledged that the increase seemed high.

"We didn't want to have an increase every year and have students saying 'Why do they keep raising fees?'" Greenberg said. "That's why we have the third year (of the proposal) without an increase."

Business administration sophomore Kristine D'Souza said she likes the Health Center because it is fast and convenient, but she doesn't think the increase is fair because many students already pay for outside health insurance.

"They shouldn't have to pay more (on campus) if they can go to their own doctor," she said.

Whitewater figure James McDougal dies

By Jay Jordan
Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — James McDougal, the flamboyant Arkansas savings and loan operator whose business dealing with President and Mrs. Clinton spurred the Whitewater investigation, died Sunday in a federal medical prison. He was 57.

After years as the Clintons' staunchest defenders, McDougal became a key cooperating witness for Whitewater prosecutors in 1996 and his death will significantly alter the complexion of their four-year-old criminal investigation.

The loss was immediately apparent as Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr huddled late Sunday afternoon with his prosecution team in Washington after word of McDougal's death spread across country.

Though McDougal became a cooperating witness in 1996 and offered prosecutor potentially damaging information about the Clintons, his former business partner on Sunday offered kind words from the White House.

"I am saddened to learn about Jim McDougal's death today," Clinton said. "I have good memories of the years we worked together in Arkansas, and I extend my condolences to his family."

Though both were convicted in 1996, James McDougal and his former wife Susan have chosen sharply different paths since: He cooperated with Starr and shaved time off his prison sentence, while she refused to answer questions before a grand jury and spent two years in prison for contempt of court.

"Jim McDougal was a gentleman who was very likable, personally," said Bobby McDaniel, her lawyer. "He was also a man who had had significant emotional problems in the past but who was vehement in his contempt for independent counsel before his conviction."

McDougal suffered from a variety of ailments, including heart disease and blocked arteries. He died at John Peter Smith Hospital of cardiac arrest, according to the U.S. Justice Department.

The medical examiner listed the time of death as 12:01 p.m.

McDougal was serving a three-year prison sentence for fraud when he was stricken.

Though hobbled by ailments and cast in a negative spotlight as

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Food Forum promotes permaculture and backyard gardens

By Alicia Kagel
Daily Staff Writer

The simplicity and benefits of organic food production were the subjects of the Growing Food Forum held Saturday at the San Luis Obispo County Library.

Organic food growth is based on permaculture, the practice of designing gardens modeled on balanced ecosystems.

"(Permaculture is) a very holistic approach for healthy communities and a healthy food supply," said Akiva Werbalowsky, who manages the Ecological Agriculture Program at Cal Poly. "It is a reliance on local resources instead of imported ones. The goal behind permaculture is to get people growing food in their own backyards and neighborhoods."

"It is designed to be more convenient and produce fresher and tastier food compared to commercial food, which has to be transported an average of 2,000 miles and refrigerated before it reaches consumers," Werbalowsky continued.

City regional planning junior Allison Pernell, who is involved with the Permaculture Club at Cal Poly, said organic food growth is a different approach to living.

"It goes beyond agriculture," Pernell said. "It applies to whole systems like building houses and designing cities."

Larry Santoyo, a permaculture designer and teacher, is planning to help set up classes and give demonstrations on permaculture at Cal Poly.

"This type of gardening is applicable in all climates and is

much more efficient and healthy than commercial farming practices," Santoyo said.

The Terra Foundation, whose mission is to research and implement ecologically-based management systems, gave a demonstration on how to begin growing organic food with a "square-foot garden."

Mark Skinner of the Terra Foundation explained that the common practice of growing produce in rows is inefficient.

"Half the space in the garden is used for walking, and it produces too much of one type of produce," Skinner said.

The square-foot garden eliminates those problems and adapts easily to the lifestyle of busy people, Skinner said. The first step is to choose what types of food you want to grow. Then a schedule of how much is produced each week needs to be devised, Skinner said.

The gardener begins by planting seeds in each hole of a recycled egg carton. The seeds must be kept at a temperature of 65 degrees until they sprout. Then they are ready for transplanting.

A good-size garden for a beginner is 3 feet by 3 feet. This allows a person to reach across the entire garden. It can be built with leftover wood scraps and pallets, said Carrie Yamashiro of the Terra Foundation. He recommends building 2-foot sides. The bottom should be covered with chicken wire.

The box should be filled with prepared soil, which comes from composting kitchen and yard scraps. Skinner explained that gar-



Daily photo by Steve Schueneman

Community members tend an experimental farm.

den waste is composted by putting it in a heap and letting it rot. The gardener should add a little water and stir the pile occasionally.

Allison Nakasone of the Terra Foundation described a worm bucket, which is a method used to compost food waste. Red surface worms are added to speed up the decomposition process. They eat the bacteria and fungi that eat the garbage.

All that's needed is a bucket with the bottom missing and a lid with a hole cut in the top and covered with a fine screen to keep flies

out. Six to eight inches of ordinary soil is added, and worms, food waste and straw or newspaper are layered on top until the bucket is full. Food waste must be added each week. After several months, the bucket is moved to another spot and filled with six inches of soil from the previous spot. This will ensure that most of the red worms, which are essential to the process, are picked up. Nutrient-rich soil for the garden is provided through this method.

A book called "Worms Eat My

Garbage" by Mary Applehof is recommended reading for those who would like more detail on this method of composting.

The Terra Foundation wants to establish a network of local growers to share information and produce. They also want to set up a web site so everyone in the county can communicate. Climate limits the type of produce grown in gardens, but the Internet connection would allow gardeners to exchange sur-

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should alleviate the hassle normally experienced during the first few weeks of the quarter.

"Fall quarter, I had to crash two classes. Nobody knew when we were going to have our regular meetings," Entzi said. "It made the first three weeks of the quarter unproductive, having to worry about everybody's schedule."

Entzi said the Registration and Scheduling Committee wanted to know exactly how priority would help the officers.

"They said they needed data, so we said 'Let's look at all our classes,'" Entzi said. "In the first three (scheduling) possibilities, we were able to come up with 2-4 hours per week where we could all meet, instead of the one hour we had without priority."

Entzi said the privilege has made scheduling much easier.

"We used it for Spring 1998," she said. "Now that we have it, the six of us worked around (a meeting

time of) 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and we were able to do that."

Entzi said the special scheduling considerations of the ASI officers warrant priority registration.

"With other students, they only have to worry about one schedule," Entzi said. "When it's all six schedules and you have six people crashing, it gets a lot more complicated. The rationale is that (priority) makes it easier for us to get things done. Everyone who works with us say they love it."

Priority registration is only the latest job benefit for ASI officers. Other benefits include four reserved parking spaces in the Slack Street parking lot. Entzi said the president and chairman, who work anywhere from 35-50 hours per week, receive approximately \$5,000 a year as a stipend, and the other four officers, who work 20-25 hours a week, get about \$3,000.

"If you were to look at what other schools do for their ASI officers, (priority) is insignificant,"

said Polly Harrigan, special assistant to the vice president for student affairs.

Harrigan said ASI has requested priority for several years.

"This has been an ongoing issue," Harrigan said. "We try to keep (priority) pretty closed. It's a decision that shows the tremendous work load of ASI officers."

Brown said the priority registration privilege has been granted to a very small number of students who met the guidelines and demonstrated the impact it has on their positions. For example, Brown said some tutoring groups have been given the privilege. There are only one or two requests for priority every year, he said, and about 50 percent of those are rejected.

"The groups who have priority are very small numbers of students," Brown said. "If everybody gets to register first, then it's not priority anymore. We're trying to work in the students' best interests by protecting priority registration."

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plus produce for foods they weren't able to grow in their own climate.

"The produce is a byproduct of soil management. You're not farmers anymore, you're soil managers," Santoyo said.

Soil maintenance is the only hard part after the first year, Santoyo said.

Permaculture gardens produce two to four times the amount of produce of commercial ones while using one-quarter the amount of water and fertilizer, John Leavens said in the video "Circle of Plenty," which was shown at the forum.

"Everything has a function," Santoyo said. "Plants are arranged in the most beneficial relationship to each other."

He said people used the landscape in this manner before the 1930s.

"Permaculture is about reteaching an old concept that uses resources in the most efficient way possible and mimics natural systems," Santoyo said.

Anyone interested in learning more about permaculture can attend the open house celebration of the Cal Poly Permaculture Center and Organic Farm on March 28 at Cal Poly. There will be locally grown organic food, live music and special guests.

A 10-week class on permaculture, which meets on Sundays, is also offered through Cal Poly's Extended Education Program beginning March 29.

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--Larry Santoyo
Permaculture designer & teacher

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a failed S&L operator, McDougal seemed to relish in the national media spotlight after his joint real estate venture with the Clintons — a small vacation home settlement on an Arkansas' White river — first arose during Clinton's 1992 campaign.

By 1994, questions about the venture became so intense that a federal court named a special prosecutor to open a criminal investigation.

For much of the early days of the Whitewater controversy,

McDougal was a sharp-tongued critic of the probe. He once showed up in Washington — sporting his trademark bald head, cane and a white suit — to sit front row for the start of congressional hearings into Whitewater, staring down his Republican accusers.

And he even tried to capitalize on his notoriety by running unsuccessfully for Congress, portraying himself and Clinton as innocent victims of a malicious prosecution.

But after an Arkansas jury convicted him, his former wife Susan and then-Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker of fraud and conspiracy, McDougal began to sound

a different tune and alleged to prosecutors both the president and Mrs. Clinton were aware of some of the fraudulent land transactions he had.

When he began cooperating with Starr, McDougal changed his testimony and began corroborating the story of Whitewater figure David Hale that the two men had met with Clinton in 1986 and planned a taxpayer-backed loan that was used in part to prop up the Clintons' Whitewater real estate investment. The fraudulent \$300,000 loan has never been repaid.

McDougal also was a key wit-

ness as prosecutors investigated the fraudulent Castle Grande real estate development south of Little Rock on which Hillary Rodham Clinton conducted work as a partner in the Rose Law Firm.

And last spring, Whitewater prosecutors came across evidence that provided some support for an allegation by McDougal that Bill Clinton in the early 1980s took out a loan from McDougal's savings and loan to support Whitewater. In his videotaped testimony in 1996 at McDougal's trial, the president denied ever having taken out a loan from the S&L.

In an interview last year,

McDougal said that he and Clinton agreed to get the loan off the S&L's books by shifting the loan to an Arkansas businessman to pay off.

In a bizarre discovery, a canceled cashier's check for more than \$27,000 from McDougal's S&L to Clinton was found in the trunk of an abandoned car in 1997 by a garage mechanic and turned over to Starr's office. The cashier's check was consistent with the story that McDougal had been telling prosecutors about a loan to Clinton, who denies knowing anything about it. The cashier's check was not endorsed.

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period of time and opening a door to another period of time, in terms of technology," he said.

Tarwater has seen a lot of students come through the plant, learning a lot, then going off to good jobs, making a life for themselves.

"I can think of one woman who came through here and she walked into a better-than-entry-level position of engineering with water and power," Tarwater said. "Because of her experience here in this plant she walked into that job hands-on knowing, and not an apprentice."

Tarwater also remembered two engineering technology majors who worked together at the plant and were later married.

"They met here and so maybe I kind of like to think that this brought them together. There's things like that I can think back on," he said. "I don't look upon it as something that's an end, but something as a change. I'm still here. Life isn't over."

Tarwater will be working in a different part of the building and will also be able to go out around campus to fix things more often.

"It isn't going to change what I do by a lot. We're going to be relying a lot more on computerization of all of our monitoring and controls and going out on campus. Computers certainly save our feet a lot because we can identify problems quicker and save a lot of physical labor," he said.

"I find it more exciting than scary," he continued. "My work hours may change a little bit but I am still going to be required to be here. I will still be needed."

Electrical engineering junior

Miguel Cedero has worked as a student assistant since the beginning of the quarter and is not accepting this change as happily as most of the old-timers. He said he isn't sure how much he and his fellow student assistants who work at the plant will be needed with the new system.

"I feel disappointed because we aren't required to work (in the plant) anymore. We don't know what's going to happen with us," he said.

Student assistants make sure everything in the plant runs smoothly, and if there is a problem somewhere on campus they go out and fix it.

"I've learned a lot here," Cedero said. "It's kind of sad seeing a place that has been going on forever close down."

Forever is a long time, but like the cliché says, all good things must come to an end. But in this case, the good is becoming even better.

Elliot said he's extremely proud of all the employees who have kept the plant up and running for such a long time.

"I think it's quite an achievement to get this plant in such good shape for this many years. Something like that is designed for about at 30-year life; that's kind of a rule of thumb. The oldest boilers in the plant have been in service for 44 years. They've done a good job, the people before us have done a good job," Elliot said.

The employees smiled Friday, carrying on like clockwork on the plant's last day of operation and anxious to explore the new plant. Engineering has always been a part of futuristic technology, and at Cal Poly, it continues to evolve with the times.

NCAA completes 64-team field Sunday

By Doug Tucker
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — While there was little doubt about the No. 1 seeds for the NCAA tournament — North Carolina, Duke, Kansas and Arizona — the field of 64 still offered some surprises.

The top seeds were considered the four best teams in the country for most of the season, but a few of the 34 at-large teams didn't know their fate until Sunday.

Among the surprise picks were Florida State, which lost seven of its last 10 games, including the play-in game of the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament; Western Michigan, which had an RPI ranking of 59; and Miami, which split its last 10 games and had an RPI ranking of 48.

"You have beauty marks and warts on all of those teams," Selection Committee chairman C.M. Newton said of the schools that were considered for the final at-large berths.

He cited the strength of schedule and quality wins for Florida State and Miami. Florida State beat Arizona and Connecticut, while Miami also beat Connecticut.

The teams that certainly merited some attention from the nine-member selection committee but were not picked included Arizona State, Wake Forest, Hawaii and Vanderbilt.

Five conferences are sending five teams each to the tournament — Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic 10, Big East, Big Ten and Southeastern Conference — while

three are sending four each: Big 12, Pac-10 and Western Athletic Conference. The Midwestern Collegiate Conference and Conference USA each had three.

Four schools — Illinois-Chicago, Prairie View, Northern Arizona and Radford — are making their first tournament appearances. Prairie View, which is 263rd of 306 Division I schools according to the RPI ratings, has the lowest ranking of any team ever to make the NCAA tournament.

Miami hasn't been to the NAAs since 1960, but the 38-year absence includes 15 years — 1971-85 — when the school didn't have a team.

North Carolina extended its own record with its 24th consecutive appearance, while Arizona tied Georgetown for the second-longest streak with its 14th consecutive selection. Georgetown's run was from 1979-92.

North Carolina, which won its rubber game with top-ranked Duke in Sunday's ACC championship, was given the top seed in the East region. The Tar Heels would play the regional semifinals and finals in Greensboro, N.C., if they win their first two games.

Duke was put at the top of the South region, while Kansas, the only one of the top four seeds not to be ranked No. 1 at some point this season, was placed in the Midwest and defending champion Arizona was placed No. 1 in the West region.

North Carolina (30-3) will open against Patriot League champion Navy on Thursday in Hartford, Conn. The other games at that site are: eighth-seeded North Carolina Charlotte against ninth-seeded Illinois-Chicago; fifth-seeded Princeton will play 12th-seeded UNLV, which won the Western Athletic Conference tournament.

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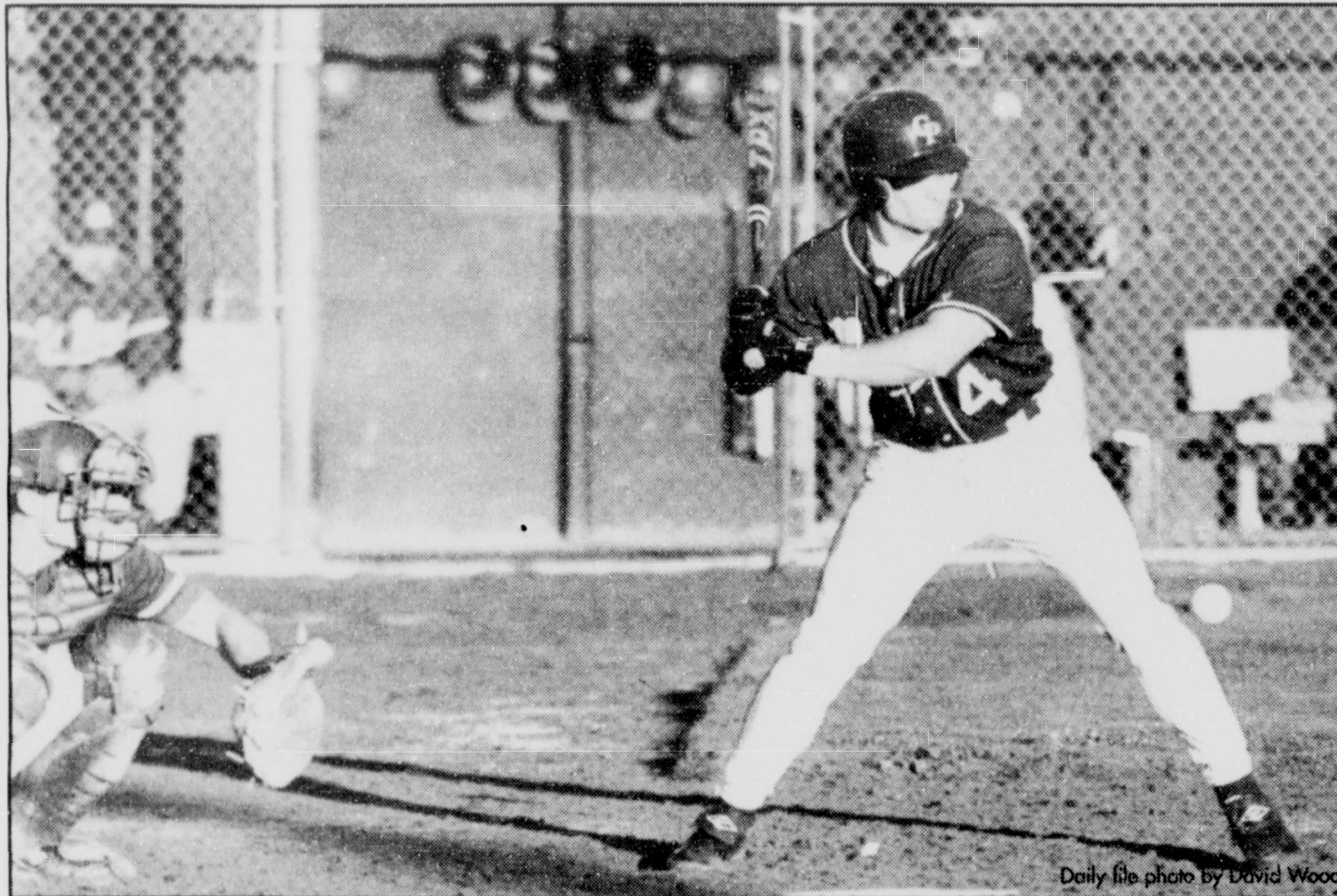
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Junior second baseman Matt Elam went 3-for-8 against Long Beach State this weekend adding two runs for the Mustangs.

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in only the second inning.

Next came Stan Acres who allowed eight hits for seven more runs, keeping Long Beach seven points ahead of the Mustangs.

Merritt, who put an end to the hitting spree the previous day, couldn't get it done in the second meeting. In one inning of play, he struckout one batter, but let in four runs off four hits, along with one walk.

Pitcher Justin Linquist couldn't do any better by combining six hits and two walks for eight runs.

Long Beach State catcher Bryan Kennedy wreaked havoc on the Mustangs connecting with the ball all four times at bat, scoring three runs and batting in five.

Attempting to answer the challenge for the Mustangs came third baseman Patrick Wood who went two for three and crossed home base twice.

In the end the 49ers had posted 20 hits to the Mustangs 12 and

26 runs to their eight.

Even with the pitching order reversed, Mike Zirelli couldn't hold off the 49ers on Sunday dropping game three, 5-6.

Zirelli, Cal Poly's top pitcher, threw all nine innings facing 37 batters. He gave up 12 hits, and only four earned runs. Zirelli also posted four strikeouts.

Four more errors by the Mustangs added five runs for the 49ers and saw their only chance at a victory this weekend fade away.

Brian Cassanego went one-for-four and scoring one run for the Mustangs.

Matt Brady, Matt Elam, Steve Wood and Michael Bland all had two hits for the Mustangs.

For the 49ers, Justin Hall single handedly contributed four errors on the day.

Pitcher Jason Marr got the win for the 49ers, pitching two innings and throwing two strikeouts.

The Mustangs dropped to 6-16 overall and 0-3 in Big West conference play.

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Cal Poly	1
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Cal Poly	2
U.C. Santa Barbara	3

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Cal Poly	5

University of Toledo	0
Cal Poly	2

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Women's Three-Way Results	
Stanford	147
Fresno State	140
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Dual Meet Scoring	
Fresno State	103
Stanford	97

Fresno State	112
Cal Poly	90

Stanford	110
Cal Poly	90

Men's Three-Way Results	
Fresno State	160
Cal Poly	124
Stanford	115

Dual Meet Scoring	
Fresno State	120
Stanford	83

Fresno State	113
Cal Poly	87

Stanford	101
Cal Poly	95

Knipfer pitches perfect game

Daily Staff Report

The sun shined brightly on the Cal Poly softball team Sunday.

The Mustangs swept the University of Toledo in two games, 5-0, 2-0. Cal Poly improved to 10-6 on the season, while the Rockets dropped to 1-8.

No hits. No walks. No nothing.

Cal Poly All-American senior pitcher Desarie Knipfer shutout the Rockets.

Knipfer pitched a perfect seven scoreless innings without a allowing a single Toledo baserunner.

She finished with a season-high 18 strikeouts out of a possible 21 in the game.

The Mustangs posted the first score on the board in the bottom the first as rightfielder Robyn Peet scored on a wild pitch by Toledo starter Wendy Adams.

After striking out the side in the first inning, Robyn Reid made contact for Toledo, but grounded out to Mustang shortstop Leilani Limary.

Cal Poly added a pair of runs in the third on a two-out double to the right by Anna Bauer to score Kasey Poet. Bauer scored on the very next at bat as Limary doubled to right to score Bauer.

Knipfer picked up the win and improved to 7-3 on the season.

In game two, Kelly Smith pitched her first shutout of the year. Smith allowed only three Toledo hits in seven strong innings.

Kasey Poet went 2-for-3 on the day, scoring Cal Poly's lone run in the bottom of the first after hitting a single up the middle.

The Mustangs added another run in the bottom of the sixth as Anna Bauer led off the inning with a triple to right. She later scored on a grounder by Sarah Stockton.

Smith improved to 3-3 on the season.

On Saturday, the Mustangs took on Big West Conference foe U.C. Santa Barbara in Santa Barbara.

Each team managed to take one game of the doubleheader.

In game one, pitching was the story again, as each starter threw a two-hitter. Knipfer got the win for her nine-strikeout, shutout effort.

Mustang catcher Kelly Duncan's solo homerun in the first inning proved to be the difference, giving Cal Poly the win, 1-0.

The Gauchos' Jennifer Tolton took the loss, giving up one earned run and striking out 10.

Mustang Robyn Peet was the only other batter to get a hit off Tolton.

In game two, Tolton started out for the Gauchos again. This time she managed to grab a victory.

Tolton scattered eight hits over six innings before giving way to



Wham, bam, she pitched the shutout ma'am. Senior All-American pitcher Desarie Knipfer pitched a perfect game, striking 18 out of 21 possible.



With eight hits and five runs, the Mustangs defeated the University of Toledo, 5-0 in game one of a doubleheader on Sunday.

relief help. She also helped herself by knocking a two-run single in sixth inning.

Kendra Wood also had an RBI double and scored for Santa Barbara.

However, the Gauchos had to go two relievers deep to notch the victory, as Melanie Richardson came on to earn her first save with one out.

The Mustangs tried to rally in

the seventh, but Richardson stopped them short.

Cal Poly was led by Sara Stockton's two hits and one RBI.

Smith was credited with the loss for Cal Poly.

The Mustangs, 3-1 in conference, continue Big West play as they travel to take on New Mexico State Thursday, March 12.

--Kim Kaney, Daily Sports Editor

Mustangs exhibit individual strengths against top teams

Daily Staff Report

The Cal Poly men's and women's track and field team stampeded to some impressive marks Saturday at Warmerdam Field in Fresno.

The Cal Poly women finished third behind Fresno State and Stanford with 115 points.

The men finished second, between Fresno State and Stanford, with 124 points.

The men's and women's four by 100 relay races were the climax of the day. The Mustang women grabbed first place by a nose, finishing two seconds ahead of Fresno State.

On the flip side, the Mustang men lost by a nose, placing second, coming in just two tenths of a second behind Fresno State.

Both Mustang teams boast times that could reach the national championships later this spring.

On the men's side, Cal Poly's Kaaron Conwright grabbed two victories. He swiftly crossed the line first in the men's 100-meter dash and the 200-meter dash.

Darren Holman finished first in the 1500-meter run and came in fourth in the 5000-meter race.

Joe Koenig cleared 16 feet, 6 inches in the pole vault to place first.

Chip Lilienthal threw the javelin for 215 feet, 1 inch, leading the competition by almost seven feet.

Mitch Naber placed first in the high jump and Jesse McDonald earned first in the discus.

On the women's side, Cha'ron Stewart crossed the line three seconds ahead of the pack in the 400-meter hurdles to place first.

Shannon Pierson placed second in the 100-meter hurdles behind Lori Himes of Fresno State.

Tamatha Jackson grabbed another first place victory in the 200-meter run at 24.50.

Soozie Shanley placed third in the shot put, discus and hammer.

Kristen Bryden placed fourth in the shot put, sixth in discus and hammer.

Paula Serrano cleared 11 feet 6 inches to finish second in the pole vault, Bianca Maran placed third at six inches below her.

Cindy Pettibon also added another first place for the Mustangs in the triple jump. Pettibon jumped 37 feet, 2 inches to out-reach her opponent by eight inches.

--Kim Kaney, Daily Sports Editor

Baseball drops three Big West games

Daily Staff Report

The Cal Poly baseball team was putting a lot of weight on its pitchers this weekend, but none of them could withstand the pressure.

Long Beach State swept all three games from the Mustangs.

On Friday, Jason Porto got the loss with the Mustangs falling 7-1.

After a scoreless six innings, Porto allowed six runs off eight hits and four walks in the seventh inning.

His replacement, Josh Morton, struckout one batter, but allowed two hits bringing in the seventh run for the 49ers and securing the win.

Finally putting an end to Long Beach State's hitting spree came pitcher Dan Merritt who kept all

three of the batters he faced from getting a run.

In the top of the eighth inning, the Mustangs tired to come back. Left-fielder Tanner Trospen, scored the Mustangs' only run off first baseman Steve Wood's hit.

The 49ers were led by right fielder, Chuck Lopez, who hit three out of four for one run on the day.

Cal Poly's woes continued into

game two against the 49ers.

Luther Salinas's fast balls didn't stop Long Beach State as the Mustangs lost, 26-8 on Saturday.

The Mustangs took an early lead, 5-0, but couldn't hold on after committing seven errors.

Salinas gave up two hits and five walks giving the 49ers seven runs and putting them two ahead